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Editorial Comment

NATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS

It is all too easy to condemn practices of selfish and ill-thought-out conduct on the part of great groups. And it is so easy to ignore and forgive like conduct on the part of individuals.

Russia wants the Dardanelles. Yugoslavia wants Trieste. Moslems want India. Capital wants greater and easier profits. Labor wants more wages. And so on.

Yet, Mr. A passes Mr. B at a speed of sixty miles an hour just "for the hell of it." The kid wants more spending money. The girl wants clothes and a hair-do like the girl down the street. Mr. W wants to get his new car before Mr. X.

Some of these things may not be so bad. There may be some sort of test or standard. is there a likelihood of someone else being hurt by the satisfaction of your wants? Suppose the shoe was on the other foot. The greed of great nations is the greed of individuals on a grander scale. The morals of a nation mirror the morals of individual citizens. Character is not unilateral.

The great commandment is Love thy neighbor as thyself for the love of God.

MORE CONSOLIDATION?

Some years ago the movement to consolidate grade schools held public attention in Virginia. The one-room grade schools were largely combined into consolidated schools. It was not an easy program for school leaders to put across. But it was perfectly natural for parents to want schools in their local community. However, most citizens are pleased with the results.

Now comes a program for still additional school consolidation. It is claimed that each high school should have a minimum of 600 pupils, even if it is necessary to ignore county lines. There are in Virginia many high schools with few than 100 pupils in the high school courses.

The Times-Virginian has as yet no opinion on this new consolidation program. Our opinion at the moment would be that is is something to be achieved gradually and not rushed into. The type of school bus now available is not suited to transporting large loads for longer mileage. The requirements and the compensation for teachers are not conducive to furnishing standards claimed in expanded schools. The public will have to be convinced.

We do agree that those responsible for educating the youth of the state, should give serious study to long-range planning. And whatever plans are adopted should be capably and thoroughly presented to the public. Public support is a necessity for any successful school Program. It won't be enough just to return to pre-war standards. We must forge ahead and encamp upon the broad vistas of Tomorrow.

HOW ILL IS MR. MAY?

One of the Congressmen coming up for re-election next month is Mr. Andrew May, of Kentucky. It is a paradox that one who is too ill to appear before the Senate Investigating Committee to answer serious charges, is not too ill to ask to be returned to Congress for two more years. Mr. May is innocent of all charges until proven guilty. We do not presume to pass on his case before the Senate War Investigating Committee. But we do pass upon the principle that Mr. May should testify, and if he is too ill to testify, were we voting in his district we say that he is too ill to stand the rigors of two years more as a member of Congress. We note that Senator Barkley is supporting Mr. May for re-election. We do not believe that Senator Barkley would support Mr. May did he not believe in Mr. May's innocence. But the only way to excuse Mr. May's failure to testify is to admit that he is too ill to go to Washington, and we see no point in electing sick men too ill to go to Washington as Congressmen.

Nenni new Italyian foreign minister.

Penn drubs Va. team, 40 to 0.

Spain agrees to pact on German ir ears.

COME ON OVER, JOE

Rumors are frequently put out to test public reaction. It is possible that the Russians have permitted a rumor to be spread that Stalin will soon visit America, in order to see in advance what the reaction might be. If it is favorable, he may come; if it is unfavorable, it would be an easy matter to deny the rumors and not make the visit.

We say, let him come. We have heard it explained that one reason for Russian nationalism is the fact that so few of her policy-makers have cosmopolitan backgrounds. It is good to have as leaders men who have seen the world in which they live. Churchill and Roosevelt and Willkie were examples of men with cosmopolitan viewpoints. Stalin is a man of mystery to America and America is a land of mystery to him. There is every reason to believe that it would help relations between the two nations if Stalin paid us a visit.

U. S. and France sign double-tax accord.

October 21-28 is proclaimed a Bible Week.

U. S. policy in Japan is held to be most successful.

Curfew clamped on Jerusalem.

Light vote anticipated in elections November 5th.

Say funds available for a large school building program in Va.

Year's death toll on highways of Virginia reaches 613.

Local Lions Club to have annual charter night banquet tonight.

V. P. I. loses to Maryland, 6, 0.

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

FASHION FACTS

We just can't keep up with our pen pals these days. They write in to us for advice on everything from a to z—from acne on their faces to zero on their report cards. Here are the fashion questions we've been answering the most lately.

"Why Can't We Find Cheaper Wide Belts?"—Our answer to that is, "you wouldn't want them when you found them." A stunning wide belt is a good investment — just like a good sweater; or a fine wallet; so save your pennies for one of those droolsome leather jobs and then wear it with everything.

"We Can't Afford Evening Coats—So What?"—That's no problem, chicks. You just wear your fleece boy coat or Chesterfield over your formals. Brighten 'em up with white wool mitts and scarf, sprinkled with sequins. You are your own sprinkling system.

"Is It Right for Teens to Wear Black Date Dresses?"—It's not only right for you, but bright OF you, junior. We just took a poll on date dresses among our 2,000 hi-style scouts and, Wrap Us Up and Call Us Mummy, if black didn't come out first. Of course, you spike it with color.

SET YOUR COURSE
Oh shall we be Brainy
Or just be Hep Hedy's?
In which shall we major—
Our Studies or Steadies?

GOOD FOR A GIGGLE

Are you the goose that lays the golden eggs? Then, you're responsible for some of this new silly stuff we've been hearing around the soda fountains lately.

You're like a Garden in the desert.

Oh, Really?
No, O-asis!

Why does the Bee Buzz?
Because somebody took his Honey and Nectar.

Meat supply somewhat better.

Former Nazis sought for bombings in Stuttgart.

War Departments speeds plans to re-organize and enlarge National Guard.

May decontrol bread, flour and cereals.

TAKE MY WORD FOR IT!

By FRANK COLBY
Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

HANDBOOK OF PRACTICAL ENGLISH

Q. I am residing in a house which I plan to have refinished with new siding. I will still be residing in the house, but in the refinishing will I be "residing" the house or "re-siding" it?—W. K. S.

A. You have brought up a very interesting point of usage which, I feel sure, has puzzled many a person. There are several words like your "residing." Let us list a few:

refuse	remark
resign	resort
retire	recover
recoil	recite
redress	relent

Now, suppose an inspector in an ammunition factory should write: These shells must be refused.

Does he mean that they are to be thrown out as worthless, or that they are to be equipped again with fuses? Here are other ambiguous sentences:

I must retire my car
She will recover the chair.
He must remark the goods.
To make it clear that the shells must have new fuses, the car is to have new tires, the chair is to have a new cover, and the goods are to be marked again, we must use a hyphen after "re," thus:

These shells must be re-fused.
I must re-tire my car.
He will re-cover the chair.
He must re-mark the goods.
Therefore, W. K. S., you may say correctly:
I am residing in my house.
I am re-siding my house.

Q. Which is the better spelling and why, "theater" or "theatre"? We have an argument.

A. Most -re words are from the French: center, metre, lustre, fibre, theatre, etc. In British usage the -re ending usually is retained. But in American usage -re customarily becomes -er, as: center, meter, luster, fiber, theater. A notable exception is the word massacre (pronounced: **MASSA-uh-ker**). If it should follow the usual pattern, as, "massacer," it would suggest the pronunciation "MASS-uh-sir," since "c" regularly has the "s" sound before "e."

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Peru: What is the title some people give you: Pancho?—L. I.

Answer: It is not a title; it's the Spanish form of my first name—Frank. Pancho is pronounced: **PAHN-cho**, "-cho" as in "rancho."

DAILY FORTUNE FINDER

To learn your "Fortune" for today from the stars, write in the letters of the alphabet corresponding to the numerals on the line of the astrological period in which you were born. You will find it fun.

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By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D., Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for October 27

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PAUL'S WIDENING FIELD OF SERVICE

LESSON TEXT—Acts 13:1-5, 13, 14, 44-46, 48, 49; 14:26, 27.

MEMORY SELECTION—But when it pleased God . . . to reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen. —Galatians 1:15, 16.

God uses men to accomplish his high and holy purpose of preaching the gospel in all the world. They must, however, be men who have been called by the Holy Spirit, prepared and sent out by him. They must be willing to labor and to sacrifice without limit for his glory.

Paul was such a man, and as we study the widening sphere of his service and influence, we catch a vision of what missions should mean in the church.

I. A Missionary Call (Acts 13:1-4).

Much discussed among earnest Christians is the question of what constitutes a missionary call.

The need must be brought home to the individual believer's heart by the Holy Spirit, and he must give full conviction that one is to go out to meet that need.

Note that the call came through a live, active and well-equipped church in Antioch, a city of Syria. It was a cosmopolitan church—read the names of those who served there. They were of many nationalities and of various occupations and social positions. In the midst of that group were two exceptionally able preachers, Barnabas and Paul. They all loved the Lord and served him.

To such a church the Holy Spirit can speak, be heard and obeyed. Notice that they gave of their best, at the direction of the Spirit, not withholding it for themselves (cf. II Sam. 24:24). God wants our best.

Sent forth by the Holy Spirit these men went promptly and willingly. Why should the Lord have to plead, and prod, and wait for his people to obey him?

II. A Missionary Conquest (Acts 13:5, 13, 14, 44-46, 48, 49).

To trace this first missionary journey it is well to look at the map illustrating the Acts and epistles at the back of most Bibles.

It will appear at once that it was not an easy itinerary these men undertook. It involved travel by sea, through difficult country, and often among hostile and hateful peoples.

God does not call his servants to an air-conditioned arm-chair evangelism. His Word must go out where it has never been heard, and that means pioneering among the most backward of peoples, the neediest of this earth. It means working in rescue missions, in thankless and difficult pastorates; yes, anywhere the Divine Executive, the Holy Spirit, may direct.

Paul met both popularity and persecution, and that not far apart. After the experience of acceptance and rejection on the island of Cyprus (Acts 13:7, 8), Barnabas and Paul went to Antioch in Pisidia (a different city than Antioch in Syria; see map). Here they were invited to preach in the synagogue and Paul was blessed in the presentation of a powerful gospel message. Read it in Acts 13:16-41. It met with such a response that the people "besought that these words might be preached to them the next Sabbath" (v. 42). So great was the popularity of Paul's message that the whole city came the next Sabbath "to hear the Word of God." What a wonderful sight that must have been.

But wait—there is something else here beside popularity, and its name is jealousy (v. 45). It caused the Jews to blaspheme as they contradicted Paul's preaching.

Jealousy always makes a fool out of the one who yields to it. Yet this green-eyed monster is permitted to go right on hindering the work of God. The result in this case was that Paul turned from the Jews to the Gentiles with the gospel, to their great joy and delight. This is a great turning point in the history of the church.

Now the preachers turn homeward to Antioch in Syria, and there they had

III. A Missionary Conference (Acts 14:26, 27).

Nothing stimulates missionary giving, and praying, and going in a local church like a live missionary conference, where those who have been on the field come back and tell what the Lord has done as they went out to serve him.

It is good to know that what the Lord led men out to do has been fulfilled. That completes the circle of divine guidance and blessing, and strongly encourages us to go again —and others to go for the first time —to do missionary work for God.

The church which does not have such an annual missionary conference misses a blessing and an opportunity for enlarged vision and service. No pastor or church can afford to miss such an open door for the working of the Holy Spirit of God.

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Brazil's Wildest Indians Make Overtures to Whites

Long wooed by gifts dropped from airplanes, Brazil's wildest tribe of Indians — the little-known Chavantes — has made its first friendly overtures toward the white man. Representatives of the tribe are reported to have brought gifts to a government mission.

The Chavantes occupy a rich section of Mato Grosso province, in the isolated interior of the country, says the National Geographic society. They crossed the Araguaia river almost a century ago, settling along a west bank in the vicinity of the Rio dos Mortes (River of Death) and the Rio Crystallino. Travelers rarely have visited their communities.

Photographic studies from airplanes show that the Indians build circular huts of palm thatch, about 30 feet in diameter, with arched roofs rising to 10 feet and more at the center. Their settlements are semi-circles of huts, with the bachelors' hall or men's club in the center. Ample space is left within the circle for council meetings, dances and other festivities. The people are estimated to number 3,500. They wear no clothing and stripe their bodies with paint. One Indian tribe calls the Chavantes "Curcurton," meaning "unclothed."

Boilermaker's Ear

"Boilermaker's ear," a condition in which the hearing may be normal or nearly normal in the middle and lower ranges of sound but cannot register high pitched tones, is a widespread impairment, resulting generally from long-continued exposure to noise. Foundrymen, riveters, welders, boilermakers, punch press operators, and tractor operators are often victims of this ailment. Elevator operators in high buildings are also subject to it. This ailment is being intensively studied by many large concerns, with brief regular rest periods found of preventive value. The ailment also crops up mysteriously among persons with no history of exposure to noise. Many persons with this trouble are unaware that a part of their hearing range is impaired or gone; they often fail to hear a telephone bell or even a warning siren, if it is pitched within their "lost" hearing range.

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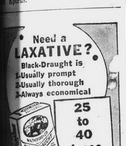

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

On Playing the Fiddle Badly

A favorite recreation in our town is getting together in one or another's home and making music. There's somebody at the piano; a guitar; a fiddle player; and Molly Bettles even has a harp!

What comes out isn't the best music in the whole world. In fact, a lot of it is downright bad. But nobody even thinks to question or to criticize.

Because the spirit of harmony is there—harmony between folks who like each other's company, who enjoy the simple, homey atmosphere —with nothing more exciting than old songs, and a glass of moderate beer or cider.

From where I sit, it's a heap more important to be a poor fiddle player, than not to play at all. More important to be a part of the American scene—with its community music, home entertainment, friendly glass of beer — than to hold out for professional perfection. (Besides, I like to play the fiddle—even badly!)

Joe Marsh

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Rocks News

Rocks, Oct. 21.- Farmers were very busy last week sowing wheat.

Mrs. W. F. Ranson is not so well.

Mr. and Mrs. John Young, of Evergreen; E. S. Roach and A. A. Baldwin and Cassie were visiting at Gladstone over the week-end. They have just returned from Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Carson had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Wheeler, Mrs. Mae and Mrs. Anna Lee and Virginia Davidson.

Anne Carson spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard and children, of Appomattox, were guests of her parents Sunday.

Miss Martha Thornhill, of Bedford, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Thornhill.

Mrs. H. Beard spent the week-end in Appomattox with her daughter, Mrs. Lewis Martin and family.

Miss Lina and Mary Archer visited the week-end with friends in Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor and children, of Norfolk spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Miss Verna Harding.

Mrs. Lucy and Bertha Wheeler and Mrs. Ethel and Virginia Davidson spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Carson.

The general election November 5th.

Mr. Roosevelt asks for a report on world morale.

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Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Oct. 22.- Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnston, Billy Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Johnston, of Spout Spring attended the home-coming football game in Staunton Saturday. They were also in Lexington Sunday. They visited the Robert E. Lee Memorial there.

Duke football team to play Army this Saturday.

William and Mary meets V.M.I. at Williamsburg Saturday.

Phone 30 with Personals.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Oct. 22.- Mrs. Ruth Jennings and son and Mrs. Walker Jennings and son, Tadd spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Lucado, at Keysville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eatch, of Virginia Beach spent last week-end visiting friends here and at Pamplin, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Clapp and daughter, of Richmond spent the week-end with home people here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Paulett and daughter spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Paulett.

T. E. LeGrand is ill at his home here.

Mrs. Maude Deaner, of Lynchburg spent several days last week with her father, T. E. LeGrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Conner and little daughter, Ann, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Conner, and Sunday afternoon he drove them all, and Mrs. Ethel Paulett to Lynchburg to see his new home, which is about completed now.

Mrs. Walker Jennings spent Saturday in the home of Moody Woolridge, who is quite ill.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Evans Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lenwood Phelps and son, Ray, Howard Phelps, Miss Pauline Phelps and Leroy Childress, all of Oakville.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ranson, of Lynchburg visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar Sunday.

Rev. Cecil G. Carter preached a very fine sermon on, "For I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel of Christ," at Rocks Sunday morning. There were seven received into full fellowship of the church and given their baptismal certificates.

W. C. Garrette Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Evans and daughter, Doris visited Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Evans at Appomattox Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Blackwell visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Garrette Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emile Bruce, of Washington spent the week-end with her parents.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Smith and son and Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Gibson and children, all of Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth St. John spent the week-end in the home of her mother, Mrs. J. A. Garrette.

Mrs. Ruth Jennings and son, Douglas called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Staples Saturday night.

Rev. and Mrs. Cecil G. Carter were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar on Thursday night.

Rev. William Vest, of Lynchburg preached a fine sermon at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon. There is preaching each Sunday afternoon at 3:00. Everyone invited.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrette and Doris and David and Mrs. Carl Inge called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Young Sunday night.

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National thanks are due the farmer for the job he has done in the last five years. *Universal respect* is due him for his foresight in helping industry equip farms to meet a whole series of emergencies.

BUT . . . we should not crowd our luck, or the farmer's luck either. Too many farm tools are now worn out. Without new ones production may go down. Farmers need over *eight hundred million dollars' worth* of new implements and equipment. It is up to industry and labor to keep wheels turning to produce them, but any recurrence of strikes would prevent this.

America should see that the hard-working farmer gets what he needs.

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